

## The Enterprise.

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EDITORS.

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J. E. PIERCE, city marshal of Mitchell, Dak. was murdered Apr. 9, by one Lewis, a saloon keeper, who kept a low dive and had been ordered arrested.

The decoration known as the "Golden Cross," conferred by the Empress of Germany, on women who have been in domestic service forty years in the same family, has within six years been bestowed upon 893 women.

COL. W. F. HERRICK, we learn, did not authorize the makers of the "Peoples Ticket" to use his name as candidate for member of the school board. Did not know it was on until Sunday evening, and gave prompt notice then, that he would not run. We make this statement in justice to him.

No form of government has yet been discovered by which cruelty can be wholly prevented. Subordination supposes power on one part, and subjection on the other, and if power be in the hands of men it will sometimes be abused. The vigilance of the supreme magistrate may do much, but much will still remain undone. He can never know all the crimes that are committed, and can seldom punish all he knows.—Johnson's "Rasselas."

Wreak the attention of our readers, to the amount and quality, of the reading matter we are furnishing from week to week, and hope if their judgement will allow, they will urge upon their neighbors its advantages, and the duty of supporting their home paper. We do not hesitate to put it in comparison with other papers of its class. Commendations are frequent and hearty. Our subscription list is constantly growing. We have room for more, and ought to have the name of every family in our patronizing territory. We are better prepared than ever before, to serve the interests of advertisers, and again urge upon the business men the importance, the advantages, and the duty of giving us their patronage.

The correspondent of the Elyria Constitution from this place, who signs himself "X," has a very full account or what purports to be a history of events previous to our late municipal election. He makes out a very bad state of affairs, shocking duplicity, on the part of the Republicans and tries to solidify the ranks of the untried, and sore heads by a revelation of a deep and dark plot of the "ring" to get control of, "and rule, at least our precinct." The ability of this modern Xerxes (we suppose that is the name and character he aspires to) is something wonderful. He says, "So in the Wellington caucus a consummated scheme to befog and mislead the people as to their real intentions, was the tactics adopted to nominate this municipality." It certainly was a naughty thing for the Republicans to attempt to nominate this municipality, and we trust they will make haste to repent speedily, and heartily of such high-handed injustice. Then Finius; excuse us, we mean "Xerxes" tries to be "plummy." If he is half as sharp as he thinks he is, we expect he will be travelling and giving entertainments as the "Plummy Man of Wellington" and Robert. Burdette, Dr. Villiers and others, will have to look to their laurels. We presume P. or X. meant to be "truthful." Those who have done the literary work for the faction he represents, and have been the authors of the only scurrilous articles, which in the last four or five years have disgraced our fair fame, have generally been "truthful," but in this case we presume he was misled by his informer. The great lights of the Democracy enjoy the well earned reputation of being "slightingly" given to romancing in all matters relating to politics, and Finius in his surpassing innocence does not seem yet to have taken in that fact. We shall be excused therefore if we allude to a few inaccuracies in his very "brilliant" letter. He says, "the call for union came from the leading Republicans." This is true; that "the people were greatly pleased &c." That is true partly, and partly not true. The faction headed by Democratic leaders who had already made up a ticket, were not pleased and had no intention of going into any arrangement that would prevent their supporting their own ticket. He says "it was an attempt to obtain power by political duplicity and caucus cramming." That is false and without a shadow of excuse for writing. He writes that "many Republicans shake their heads and hint at Democracy as a good location for a permanent political home." That is good; it is very rich; almost equal to "attempting to nominate this municipality." If only some of our pretended Republicans who affiliate with Democrats, and help them in their political scheming and trickery, and furnish the brains for their scurrilous articles and aid them in whatever is thought necessary to defeat the Republican party, would only act on that hint, and make "Democracy the location for their permanent political home," Finius would not have lived, and labored in vain. It would take out of our local politics an element that has been as sickle and uncertain as the Frenchman's flea and whose course has been more deleterious to

Republican interests, than open Democratic opposition. The darkest deeds attributed to that mythical Wellington ring are spotless purity, beside the duplicity and treachery of that other ring, that imagines itself divinely commissioned to humble and defeat, and trounce, and slander those who have incurred its displeasure. The Democracy will however do well not to feel too much elated over the prospect of speedily taking possession of this goodly land, in view of the fact that as good men as there are in town supported the caucus ticket, and gave it a majority of 113 votes, notwithstanding the efforts, and misrepresentations of the opposition with regard to the calling, and conduct of the Republican caucus. And lastly he says, "others say Wellington will be forced to become a Democratic precinct, before the people can enjoy political liberty, and equality." It would be interesting to know who those "many Republicans" were, mentioned in the first of the two last quotations, and how many are included in the "others" in the last. According to "X" alias, "Percentum" alias, "Finius" alias, "Dock," with his "plummy forties," Wellington is in a very bad way. Wonder if he would not like to head an emigration society for his country's good, and go west where he could enjoy the blessings of civil and religious freedom "with none to molest or care him." But seriously, Finius, a good many Democrats manage to live, and thrive here. Republicans have not yet begun to shoot Democrats, after the example they themselves have set us in some portions of this glorious republic, where they have unlimited power, and so far as we know, there are none prowling around with blood in their eye waiting for an opportunity to massacre guileless Democrats. But since this correspondent is trembling for his liberties, we feel like guaranteeing him protection. Put yourself under the shadow of our wing Finius, and we will see you taken care of. Even the feminine half of this editorial staff is quite equal to the protection any such weakling. We would not for anything return your left handed compliment, by charging you with being a woman. It would be a libel on the sex and we would not do such a thing. Your exact place in the animal kingdom is not well settled, but there is such a suggestion of length of ears, that there cannot be longer much room for uncertainty.

## "Anvils and Hammers."

Many years ago Dr. Holland wrote an article under the above heading in which he said:

"Every man in the world who gives blows must take blows."

"Those whom he assails, or the supporters of that which he assails, will turn up his face, and undertake to straighten their crooked nails upon it, or re-fasten the rivets of their broken cisterns on it, or pound the wrinkles out of their battered opinions upon it, or punish it with spiteful indentations." "The perfection of art with such a man, is to strike heartily when he assumes the office of a hammer, and bear bravely when he is compelled to be an anvil." "Until a man becomes as good an anvil as he is a hammer, he fails to be thoroughly fitted for his work." These reflections are equally as pertinent to the contests between the factions and parties that strive for place and power in social and political affairs, as in the advocacy of moral reforms. The man who goes into a political campaign and deals vigorous and effective blows upon his adversary, must count upon his ability to receive and bear them. He must not count upon his opponent sitting quietly, and meekly receiving the punishment he inflicts, for the other will certainly strike back with all the power he can command, and if personalities and misrepresentations and abuse and slander or any disreputable methods are resorted to by one party, it can certainly calculate on the coming of a time when positions will be reversed, and he will have to submit, for the time being, to become an anvil. It does not matter how just and righteous is his cause, or if his adversary is deserving to be ground to powder, he must still calculate on being met with whatever of force and destructive agencies his enemy can muster, for wickedness and crime do not tamely submit to the punishment they merit, and reformers who have battled with the evils and vices of mankind, have had to take as sturdy blows as they gave, and they have finally conquered, chiefly because of their superior ability as a hammer, and their superior endurance as an anvil. If we make our enemies vince when we assume the office of a hammer, it will become us to complain of injustice and hardship, or try to persuade ourselves that we occupy the place of the injured innocent when, by a change of relation, our adversary usurps our office and compels us to serve as an anvil for his hammer. "A pugilist who is an inferior hammer, not untriently wins a fight in consequence of being a superior anvil." But in every contest of intellectual and moral forces a conscious integrity of purpose and action will give almost every man the ability to bear bravely and uncompromisingly whatever of injustice he may have to suffer in consequence of an honest endeavor to do his duty. And whenever we are disposed to indulge in over much complaining, or persuade ourselves that we are martyrs to a cruel and wicked purpose or faction, we may safely conclude that we are destitute of the qualities essential to a good anvil, or that we have been disloyal to our conscience and to justice in our office as a hammer.

## How a History was Made.

Bancroft, the historian, author of that invaluable contribution to American literature, "History of the Pacific

States of North America," was a book-eller in San Francisco when it was impressed upon him that the material for California history was gradually being lost if no one took steps to save it. Accordingly he began collecting books, manuscripts, pamphlets, family archives and memories of pioneers, extending his researches until it embraced the whole of North America from the Rockies to the Pacific and from Alaska to Panama. He visited different parts of the country and made several journeys to Europe, always adding to his collection of material until he had 12,000 volumes gathered at a cost of \$300,000. These volumes he, with twenty assistants, carefully indexed, and six persons worked ten years at a cost of over \$80,000, arranging this material for convenient reference. Another set of writers abstracted the desired information from these references and more competent persons revised this rough material and passed it along to Mr. Bancroft, in as advanced a state as possible. Then he re-wrote and revised, often going over the whole, clear back to the indexes to make it meet his ideas of accuracy, clearness and perfection of style. All the while the gathering of books, maps, letters, newspapers and manuscripts went on until over 36,000 volumes had accumulated besides countless records copied from county, State, and national archives, and twenty-five years had been spent on the work of getting this huge mass of material together, and a fire-proof building was erected to insure its preservation. Introductory to the "History of the Pacific States of North America," he has written "The Native Races of the Pacific States," in five volumes, which have already appeared. The history proper embraces the following States: Central America, Mexico, North Mexican States, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah, Northwest coast, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, British Columbia and Alaska, the list to embrace thirty-nine volumes, of which twelve have been given to the public. One volume is to be finished every four months, and it is expected to complete the work by 1890.

Mr. Bancroft is a native of Ohio, born at Granville in 1832, and his only school education was obtained in district schools.

Mrs. Emma H. Adams, of Arizona, who has lately, by invitation, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft at Los Angeles, gives at length the information above condensed.

## Run Over by the Cars.

Deaths by violence have occurred with alarming frequency in Wellington in the past year. Almost on the same ground where Mr. Porter Curtis was killed here last July, M. A. G. Shepherd, a butcher of Grafton, in attempting to board freight train No. 50 Thursday afternoon last, was thrown to the ground and both legs run over and horribly mangled, one to the hip, the poor victim living but two hours.

He was acquainted with the fireman in the flouring mill and had been talking with him when the through train passing he ran out thinking he could jump aboard. Putting one hand on a flat car and a foot on the oil box he attempted to spring upon the car, but having nothing to hold by he was sucked under, and the sickening spectacle of another man recklessly losing his life emphasized the warning repeated here against so dangerous an experiment. Crowds of men were soon there, the train stopped, the injured man was laid on an improvised stretcher and borne to the station where Dr. Willard attended him.

The man's wife had died a year ago, and he expressed a desire to see his two little children and his father. The latter came here on the six o'clock train, but too late to see his son alive. A brother from LaGrange came earlier on a hand-car. The remains were taken to Grafton on the 8:30 train.

## The Cantata of Esther.

The concert which had been some time in preparation, but for one thing and another deferred, came off Wednesday evening last. The interest in and anticipation of hearing so many of our Wellington singers, was evidenced in the ready sale of tickets and the packed house. When at eight o'clock the curtain rose, something more than the brilliancy of so large a chorus chanting in melodious rhythm, dazzled the senses, as one and another and another familiar face was made out from that motley crowd of orientals disguised in strange array; making up by tinsel and gilt for any shortcomings in length of garment, and with bright sandals and holsters, and gay scarfs of color relieving the delicate hues of many an airy robe. Fair heads and dark, shorn locks and flowing tresses were surmounted by crown, turban or toque. There was a throne with such splendor as an improvised stage could command, the king and queen wearing the purple of their rank, a royal guard, courtiers, maids of honor, plumed pages mantled with ermine, bearing goblets of wine for the king's banquet, and fairy sprites dancing attendance upon the queen with such gentle footsteps as always to be seen but never heard.

The cast of characters was as follows: Ahazuerus, W. S. Metcalf; Esther, Mrs. W. S. Metcalf; Haman, Percy

Townsend; Zeresh, Mrs. J. J. Thomas; Mordecai, Wm. Townsend; Mordecai's sister, Mrs. Howard Hall; Prophethess, Abbie Morrow; Scribe, Rev. M. F. Warner; Harbonah, Will. Brown; Chamberlain, Chas. Holbrook; Guards, Wm. Brown, Eugene McIntire; Queen's Attendants, Emma Lewis, Emma Smith; Hegal, Mr. H. Tisset; High Priest, M. Wadsworth; Soprano Solo, Mrs. J. S. Mallory; Alto Solo, Miss Sadie Watts; Harold, Eugene McIntire; King's Pages, Dell Foote, Jr., Henry Bowman; Queen's Pages, Rose Mallory, Sadie Vischer; Child of Haman a Zeresh, Marian Franks; Chorus, Fifty Voices; Pianist, Minnie Stroup; Director, W. S. Franks.

Hegal, in this case, a native of France, looked the oriental "to the manner born" more than any man upon the stage. But any of them, from guard to high priest, looked sufficiently fierce and foreign to be equal to the occasion. The prophethess in white, contrasted with a dark-robed company of Jewish maidens, and her voice flexible and plaintive accorded with the sentiment of the strain. Mrs. Metcalf, as Esther, put feeling as well as grace into her part. Townsend was pompous and self-satisfied as became a Haman and Mrs. Thomas as Zeresh, was vastly more attractive than the popular conception of that loyal wife to her wicked husband.

As a whole the Cantata was rendered with credit to the management, and the company, all of whom freely contributed their time and talents and gave much hard work and pains-taking thought in the preparation. Singers from the Congregational church, young people in school who had to keep up their studies as well as learn their parts in the Cantata, business men and married ladies who gave their evenings, made generous sacrifice to aid in this, the proceeds of which above expenses, were donated toward paying for the Concert Grand Piano, purchased in the last year for the Methodist Sunday School. The gross receipts were \$125.

## Attention.

Persons having an interest in the Sporting Truck, are requested to meet in the Engine House on the second Tuesday evening in May. S. A. WILLIAMS, Chief.

HANOVER, O., Feb. 13, 1884.

After having lung fever and pneumonia I had a dreadful cough and could not sleep at night. The doctors told me I had consumption and would die. I have taken six bottles Piso's cure and my cough is entirely gone and I am well as ever.

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EMELINE FORD.

## Marriages.

No charge will be made for notices under this head.

GAGER-BUCK.—In Camden, O., Jan. 7, 1884, by Rev. N. B. Banker, Mr. D. A. Gager, of Oberlin, O., and Miss Etta Buck, of Randolph, N. Y.

RAFFLE-BURGE.—April 2, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Olan Lawrence, Mr. Owen L. Raffle to Miss Mary J. Burge. All of this unity. Long live the happy pair.

## Deaths.

Notices under this head, stating name, late residence, date of death and age of the deceased, will be inserted free; but if accompanied with biographical sketch will be placed under the head of "Obituaries" and charged accordingly.

In Carlisle, Arthur Willard, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Barber, April 3rd, of brain trouble, aged three years, one month and ten days. "Asleep in Jesus."

An Ordinance Accepting a Part of C. Howk's Addition.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the incorporated Village of Wellington: Sec. 1st. That so much of the Plat of C. Howk's addition to said Village of Wellington, as to include lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, in Block 10, of said Village, and that portion of Forest Avenue, on which said lots shall be accepted. Also said C. Howk's extension of Dickson street from Cortland avenue east to a point intersecting said Forest Avenue be accepted. Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on and after its passage and legal publication. R. N. Goodwin, Clerk. T. H. Herrick, Mayor. Passed April 14th, 1884.

## State of Ohio, Insurance Department.

COLUMBUS, March 12th, 1884. I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the Equitable Life Assurance Society, located at New York, in the State of New York, has complied in all respects with the laws of this State, relating to such Insurance Companies, and is authorized to transact its appropriate business of LIFE INSURANCE in this State, in accordance with law, until the first day of April, 1885. The condition and business of said Company, on the thirty-first day of December, 1883, is shown by the statement, under oath, required by Section 384, Revised Statutes of Ohio: to be as follows:

Aggregate amount of available Assets \$25,303,253.81

Aggregate amount of liabilities, (except capital) including reinsurance and special accumulations, 43,748,338.44

General surplus on policy-holder's account, 8,615,015.37

Capital stock, 100,000.00

Amount of income for the year, 13,470,571.68

Amount of expenditures for the year, 8,507,903.49

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Seal of my office to be affixed, the day and year above written.

CHARLES H. MOORE, Supt. Insurance.

F. H. MOORE, Special Agent at Wellington, O.

C. H. GAY, General Manager, 209 Superior St.,

Wilshire Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

## An Eye to Business.

H. G. Starr & Co., the druggists, are always wide awake to business and spare no pains to secure the best of every article in their line. They have secured the agency for Kemp's Balm for Consumption Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, and all affections of the throat and lungs. Sold on a positive guarantee. Price 50c trial bottle free.

A thorough course of Acker's Blood

Ellixir will remove all taint from the blood.

It cures Scrofula, Ulcer, Eczema and Pimples.

Sold by Wooster & Adams.

## G. A. R. SUITS.

MADE OF

## U. S. ARMY REGULATION GOODS.

The Best Blue Flannels made. All Wool, Pure Indigo Dye, and warranted not to fade. These suits have TWO SETTS OF MOVABLE BUTTONS. One sett for general wear, and one sett of GILT G. A. R. BUTTONS.

People have been humbugged and paid \$13, \$14 and \$15 for inferior goods. To protect those who will read, we publish the price of these, the

## Best Goods Made,

\$11.50 A SUIT.

The lower grades, All Wool, Blue Flannel, Indigo Dye, we sell at \$9.50 a Suit.

A. M. FITCH, The Clothier.

## Great Closing Sale!

In order to reduce our stock before spring purchases, we have marked down our entire stock of DRESS SILKS, and guarantee prices fully 10 per cent. lower than any house in Northern Ohio.

## DRESS GOODS.

Our entire stock of DRESS GOODS, including Black Cashimeres and All-wool Double Width Flannels, at splendid bargains. And all grades of novelties in dress goods at less than manufacturers prices.

## CLOAKS, CLOAKS!

Ladies' and Children's Cloaks will be sold regardless of cost.

## BLANKETS.

Having purchased, largely, of one of the Largest Blanket Sales in the United States, we offer Blankets at extraordinary low figures. We quote a few prices;

New Hampshire Horse Blankets - 50c.

## PRINTS AND GINGHAMS.

Our entire stock of Dress Gingham, worth 12 1-2c, reduced to 8c. All prints 5c.

## Bleached Cottons.

AMORY, better cotton than Wamsutta, 9c  
HILL - 7 3-4c  
LONSDALE CAMBRIC - 10c

Ladies' All-Wool Scarlet Underwear - 90c  
Gents' " " " " - 85c

These goods are worth \$1.25 anywhere.

## Carpets! Carpets!!

We call especial attention to our Stock of Carpets, second to none in Ohio. A bargain never before offered.

## OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF OVERCOAT

must be sold, and we will offer better bargains than ever, in this line. They will go regardless of cost.

Come early, do not delay! This sale will be positive, and we anticipate a big rush.

## BALDWIN, LAUNDON WINDECKER &amp; CO.

## FOR FURNITURE

Go to the Furniture Rooms of

## A. G. &amp; G. L. COUCH.

The largest and finest assortment ever shown in Wellington. Come and see our Fancy Patent Rockers and Easy Chairs, bamboo and willow; Camp and Office Chairs for ladies, gentlemen and children; Stands, Brackets and Toilets, Foot Rests and Ottomans, Wall Pockets and fancy Goods, at lowest prices.